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#### **5 REASONS TO FOSTER A TEENAGER**

- 1. Teens help you stay up to date on the latest fashions, trends and technology.
- 2. Teens benefit by learning from your experiences.
- 3. Teens are fun and interactive which keeps you young at heart!
- 4. Teens benefit from living in nurturing and stable family environments where they can focus on school, building meaningful relationships and all things teen!
- 5. Teens can decipher the instant messaging code above and teach you even more ways to be efficient when communicating with others!

\*@POS is an abbreviation used for instant messaging. It means "a parent is looking over my shoulder".

Be that parent. Foster a teenager.

## Peanut Butter and Jelly, Shoes and Socks BROTHERS AND SISTERS



## WHERE WOULD YOU BE IF YOU HAD ONE WITHOUT THE OTHER?

The bond between brothers and sisters is unique — it is the longest lasting relationship most people have, longer than the parent/child or husband/wife relationship.

#### BENEFITS OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS LIVING TOGETHER

- 1. **Shared Support** Having a sibling in the same home helps children transition more smoothly into the foster family.
- 2.**Shared Understanding-** Siblings are a natural support system. They understand first hand each other's losses.
- 3 **Familiarity** Living with their siblings means that children do not have to experience the loss of their entire family.

80% of Americans have siblings.

Where would you be without yours?

**Foster A Sibling Group** 

# Make A Positive IMPACT in Your Community



### **BE A FOSTER PARENT**

I -- Initial Interest Call us! This is the first step in the foster parent approval process.

M --Mutual Selection Working together, we can make a mutual decision about whether or not fostering is right for you and your family.

P-- Pre-Service training Free and convenient training is provided. IMPACT Pre-service training provides information on many topics designed to help you foster well.

A --Assessment Prospective foster parents must participate in a comprehensive assessment of their background, interest and ability to foster well.

C --Continuing Development Free and convenient on-going learning opportunities are provided throughout the year.

T -- Teamwork Foster parents are a vital part of the child's team which includes agency staff, birth families, and community partners.

Make an IMPACT. Share your heart and your home.

Be A Foster Parent